ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical recording medium includes a substrate and a recording layer in which data can be recorded by projecting a laser beam thereonto, the recording layer including a first recording film containing an element selected from the group consisting of Si, Ge, Sn, Mg, In, Zn, Bi and Al as a primary component and a second recording film containing Cu as a primary component and 10 to 30 atomic % of Al as an additive.

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The thus constituted optical recording medium has an excellent initial recording characteristic and can store recorded data in a good condition over the long term.